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Mr. Earl Liverman  
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RE: Avery Landing Superfund Site, Shoshone County, Idaho

Dear Mr. Liverman:

Thank you for sending the report documenting the archaeological survey of the Avery Landing rail yard project area. The report, completed by Applied Archaeological Resources, is well done and meets the Secretary of the Interior's Standards.

The report states that no evidence of the CCC camp was identified within the project area. The Japanese labor camp was located historically outside of the project area and given no further consideration for this work.

With regard to the rail yard itself (10SE476), ten features were identified: five structural remains and five small scatters of historical material. None of these were evaluated as historically significant. The report concludes that the site is probably not eligible National Register of Historic Places. We agree that the site appears to be not eligible. As a precaution, however, we support the recommendation for archaeological monitoring near the structural remains labeled Features 1, 3, 4, and 5. We also appreciate the recommendations for crew education about collection of archaeological remains.

In the future, EPA should have final SHPO comments in hand prior to any ground-disturbing activities associated with the project. Without final comments, EPA is not meeting the requirements of Section 106.

We appreciate your cooperation. If you have any questions, please feel free to contact me at 208-334-3847, ext. 107.

Sincerely,

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